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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES
REGION 53 (TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO) PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ NPSPAC REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETINGS

PR Docket No. 92-169

The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio)¹ 700 MHz and 800 MHz NPSPAC Public Safety Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) will hold two planning meetings on Thursday, December 6, 2012, beginning at 1:30 p.m., at the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Regional Office, 2525 North International Boulevard, Weslaco, Texas.

The agenda for the 700 MHz agenda includes:

- Welcome to the Rio Grande Valley
- Call to order and County roll call
- Approval of agenda
- Texas Reports
 - Update on Texas Public Safety Broadband (Mike Barney, Texas DPS Technical Coordinator)
 - o Update on "Operation Texas Talks" Action Plan
 - o FCC Narrowband Enforcement Advisory
 - NPSTC news brief -- Narrowbanding for Schools
- Review and approve previous meeting minutes
- Status report on Region 53 700 MHz Plan approval
- Old business
- New business
 - o 700 MHz application for RGV Communications Group, McAllen, Texas
- Adjourn

The agenda for the 800 MHz agenda includes:

- Call to Order
- New business

¹ The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio) 700 MHz regional planning area consists of the counties of Aransas, Atascosa, Bandera, Bee, Bexar, Brooks, Calhoun, Cameron, Comal, Dewitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Jackson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kerr, Kendall, Kinney, Kleberg, LaSalle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Nueces, Real, Refugio, San Patricio, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Zapata, and Zavala.

- FCC presentation on the new 700 MHz / 800MHz Spectrum Sharing Agreement with Mexico, by Louis Sigalos, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Southwest Regional Operations and Emergency Management Director
 - i) The new Spectrum Sharing Agreement replaces a previous agreement and paves the way for the completion of 800 MHz rebanding
 - ii) Tasks and timeline discussion
- Discussion of tasks and timeline
- Opportunity for public comment
- Schedule next meeting
- Adjourn

Both Region 53 Public Safety RPC meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 53 may utilize these frequencies. To ensure that RPC meetings consider each agency's future spectrum needs in the allocation process, it is essential that eligible public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal be represented. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 53 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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